

To Mr. Staton for four days from and after to-day on account of important private business ;

To Mr. Thompson, of Beaufort, until Tuesday next on account of sickness in his family ;

To Mr. Spears for four days on account of important public and private business ;

To Mr. Jessup, for Friday and Saturday on account of important private business ;

To Mr. Cary from and after to-day, for the same reason ; and,

To Mr. Wells for five days for the same reason.

Mr. Shackelford, from the Committee on Engrossed Bills, by leave, submitted an additional report, and reported

H. B. No. 43 : A bill to amend an act, passed at the session of 1872-'73 as correctly engrossed, and a message was sent to the Senate transmitting the same.

The calendar was taken up.

H. B. No. 19 : A bill with the substitute, was taken up, the amendments were accepted and the bill, a bill to repeal section 9, chapter 164, of laws 1850-'51 in relation to the Caldwell and Ashe Turnpike Company, was put on its several readings, passed, and was ordered to be engrossed.

H. B. No. 72 : A bill to levy a special tax for the county of Jones was put on its second reading, and the yeas and nays were called with the following result :

The following gentlemen voted in the affirmative :

Messrs. Anderson, Atwater, Ballard, Barnhardt of Caldwell, Bernhardt of Rowan, Bennett, Bettis, Bizzell, Bryan, Bryson, Carson, Davis of Jackson, Etheridge, Finger, Freeman, Gash, Good, Green, Griffin, Hill, Hooker, Jetton, Kendall, Latta, Lloyd, McCubbins, McNeill, Mitchell, Oaksmith, Parker, Parrott, Patton, Reid, Richardson, Scott, Shackelford, Smith of Anson, Smith of Hyde, Walker of Tyrrell, Ward, White and Wood—42.

The following gentlemen voted in the negative :

Messrs. Barrett, Blythe, Boyd, Brewington, Bunn, Candler, Carter, Crews, Davis of Haywood, Dortch, Eatman, Elliott, Er-